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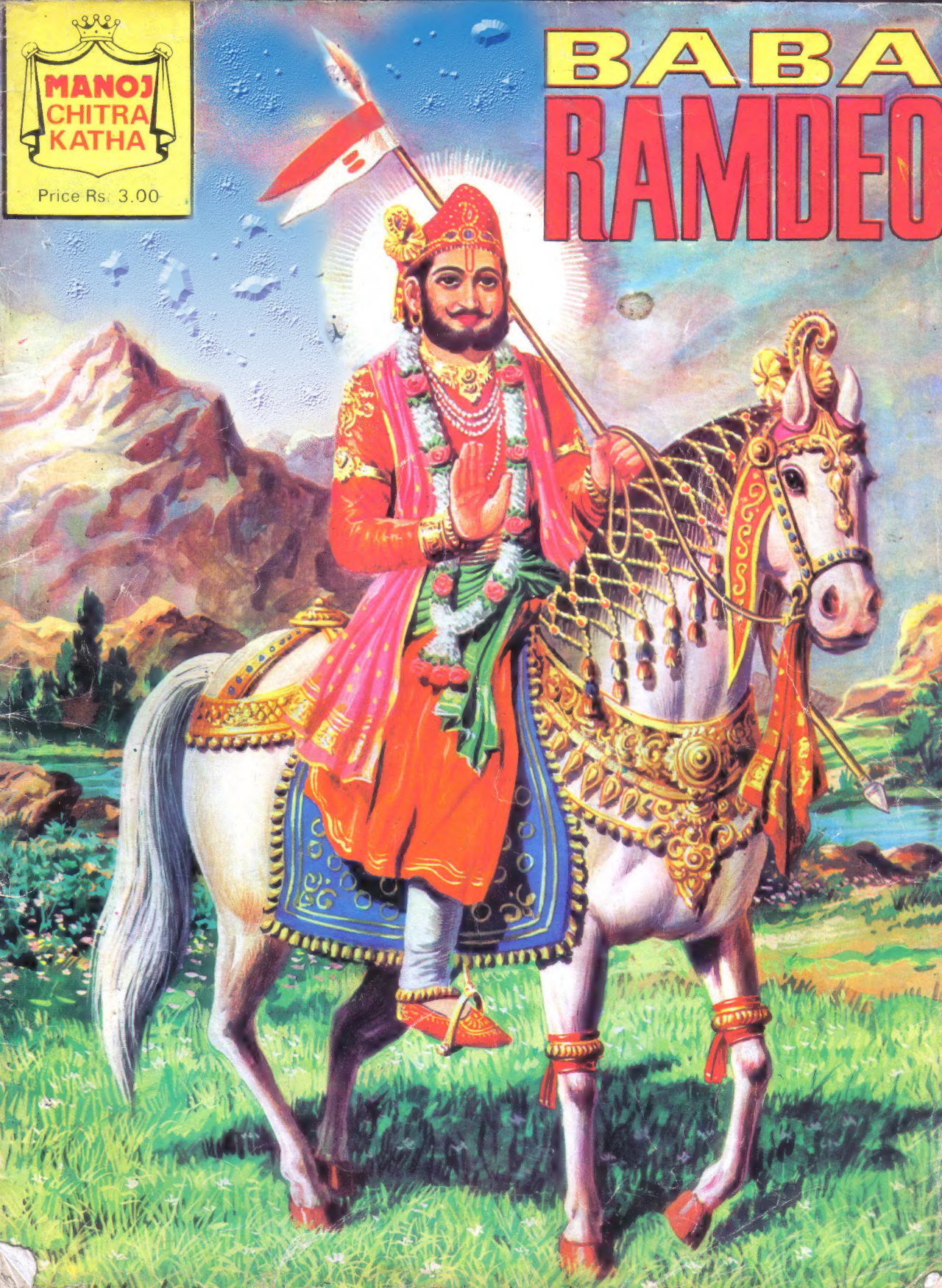

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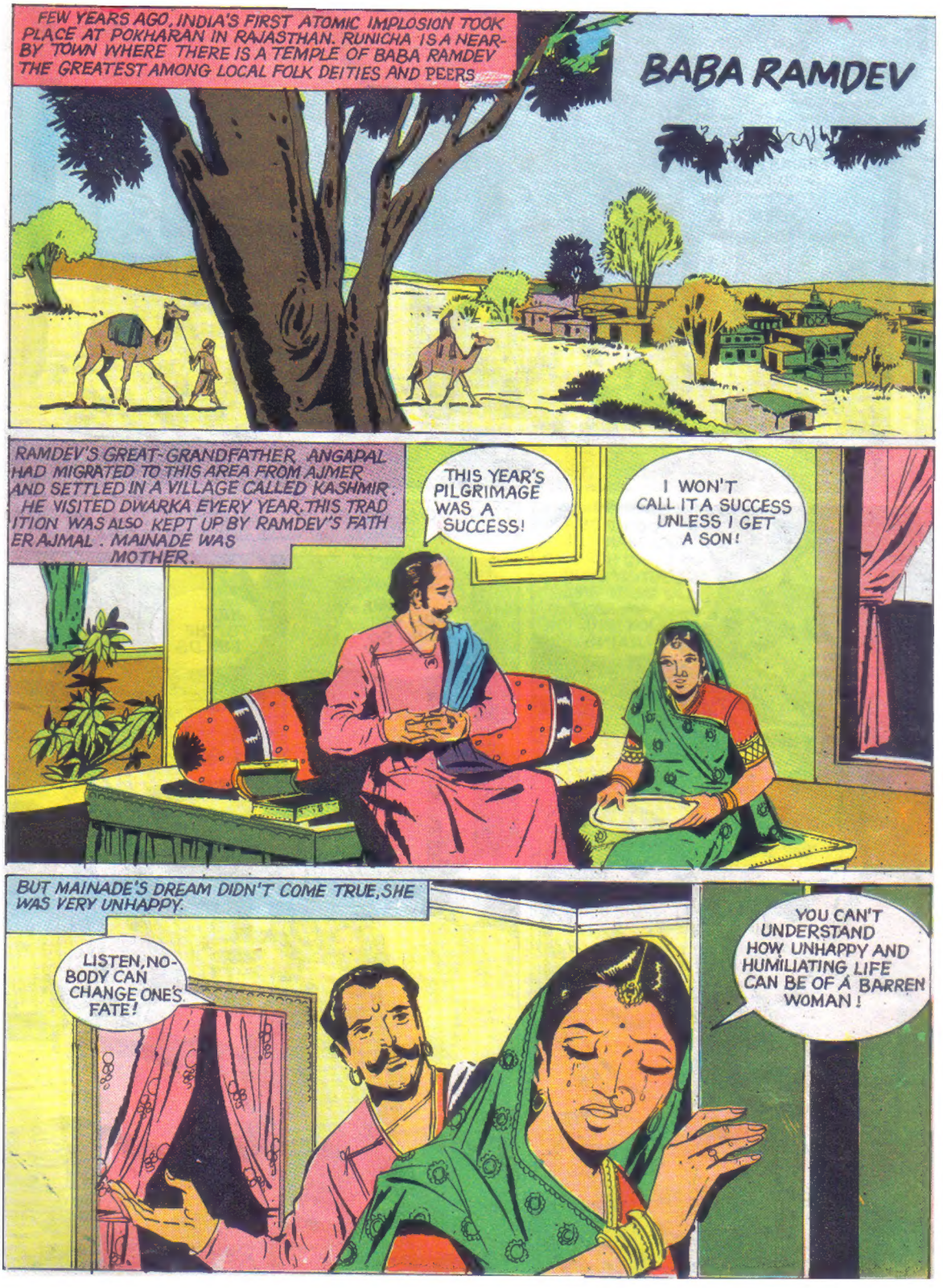
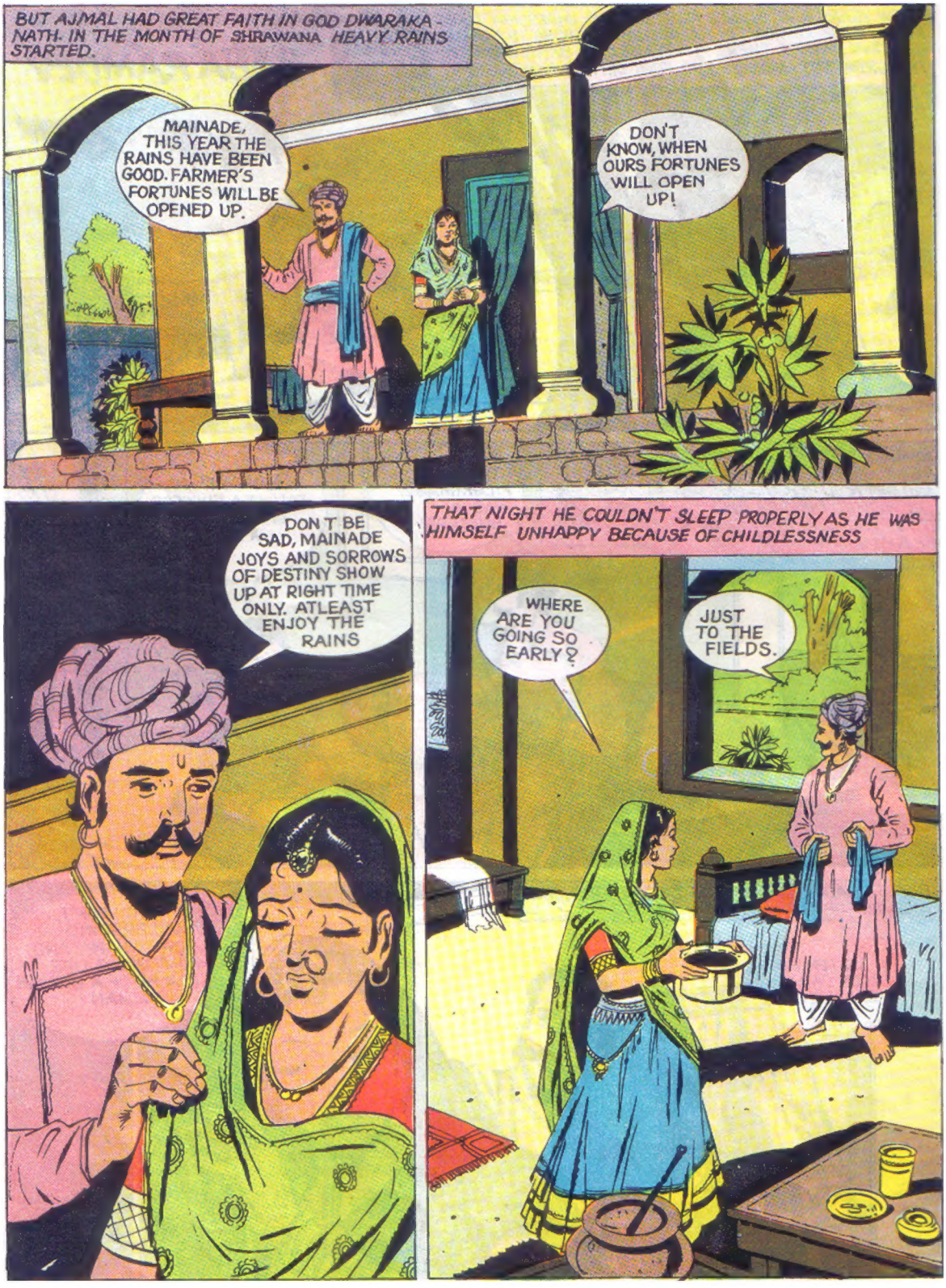
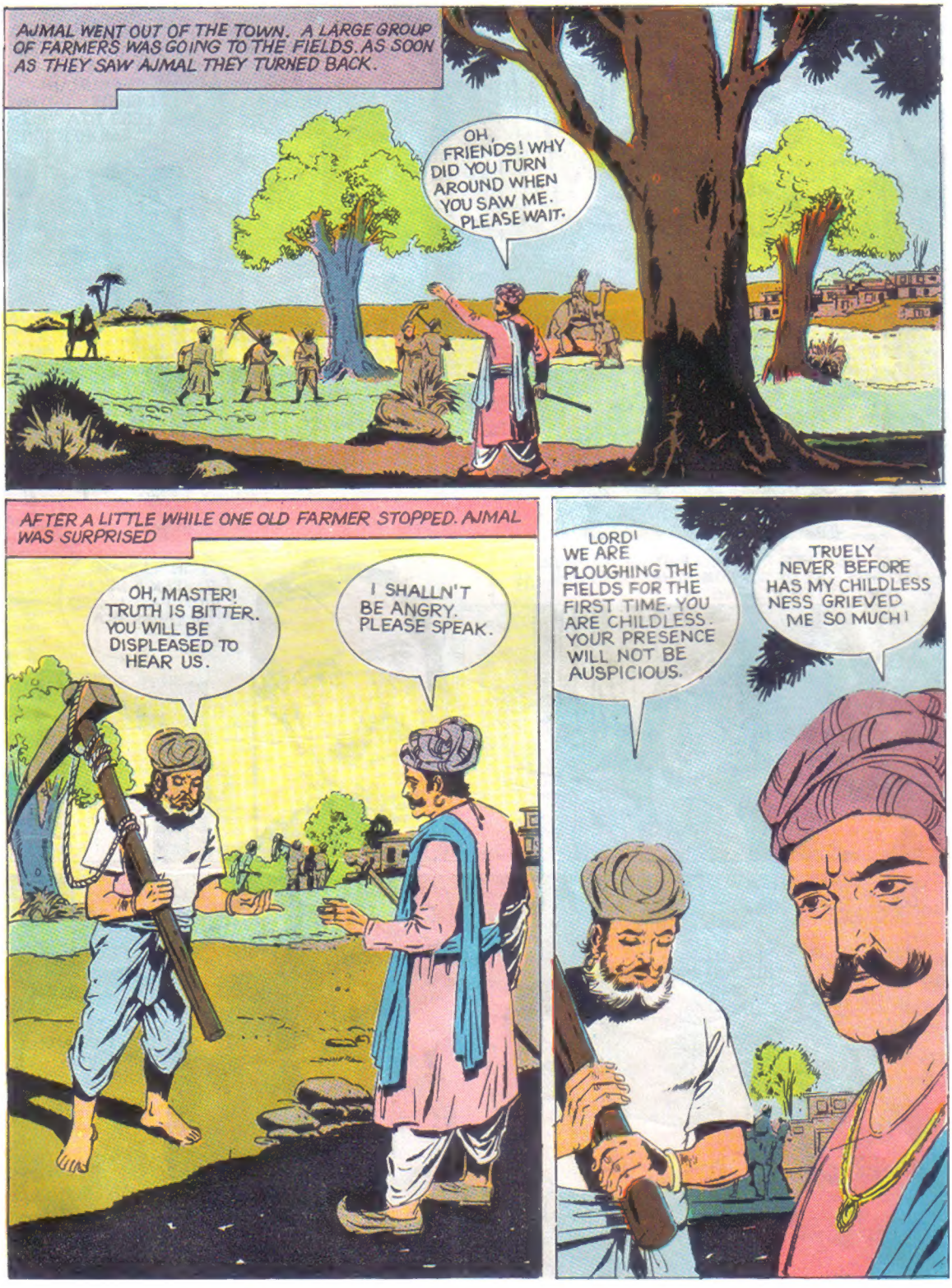
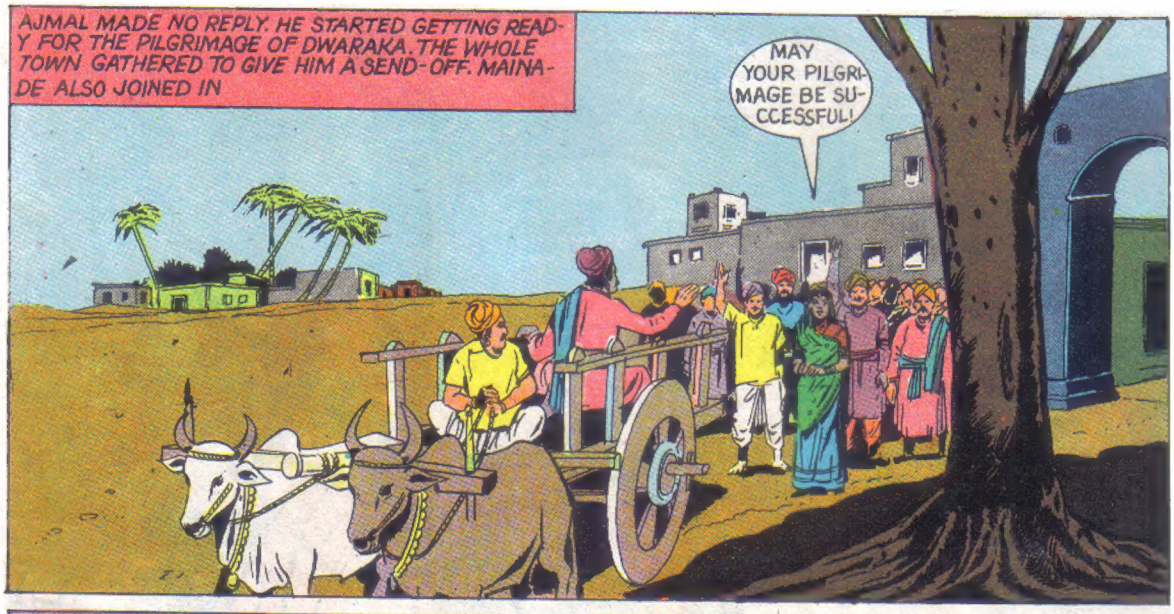
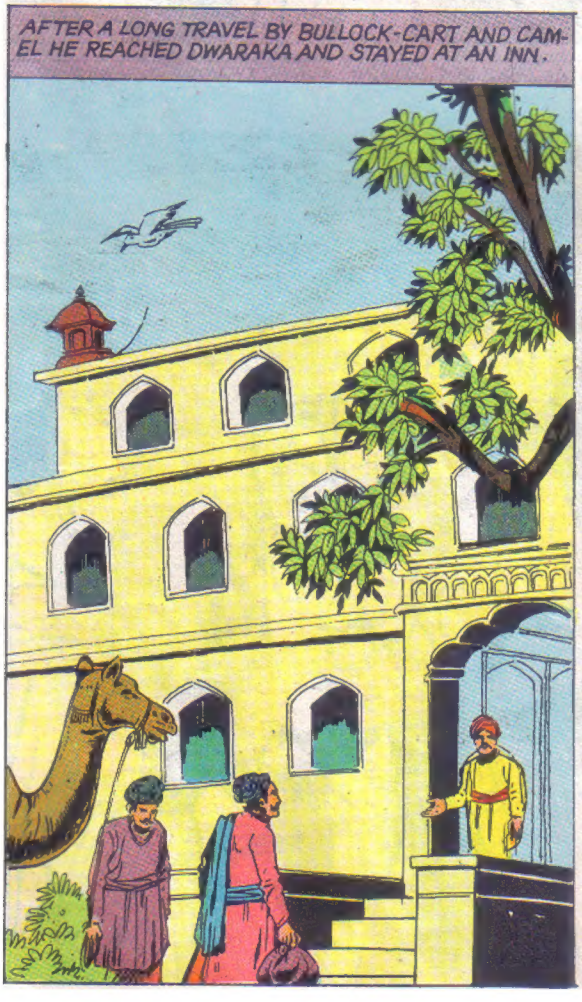

FEW YEARS AGO, INDIA'S FIRST ATOMIC IMPLOSION TOOK PLACE AT POKHARAN IN RAJASTHAN. RUNICHA IS A NEAR-BY TOWN WHERE THERE IS A TEMPLE OF BABA RAMDEV THE GREATEST AMONG LOCAL FOLK DEITIES AND PEERS.
BABA RAMDEV
RAMDEV'S GREAT-GRANDFATHER ANGAPAL HAD MIGRATED TO THIS AREA FROM AJMER AND SETTLED IN A VILLAGE CALLED KASHMIR. HE VISITED DWARKA EVERY YEAR. THIS TRADITION WAS ALSO KEPT UP BY RAMDEV'S FATHER AJMAL. MAINADE WAS MOTHER.
THIS YEAR'S PILGRIMAGE WAS A SUCCESS!
I WON'T CALL IT A SUCCESS UNLESS I GET A SON!
BUT MAINADE'S DREAM DIDN'T COME TRUE, SHE WAS VERY UNHAPPY.
LISTEN, NOBODY CAN CHANGE ONE'S FATE!
YOU CAN'T UNDERSTAND HOW UNHAPPY AND HUMILIATING LIFE CAN BE OF A BARREN WOMAN!

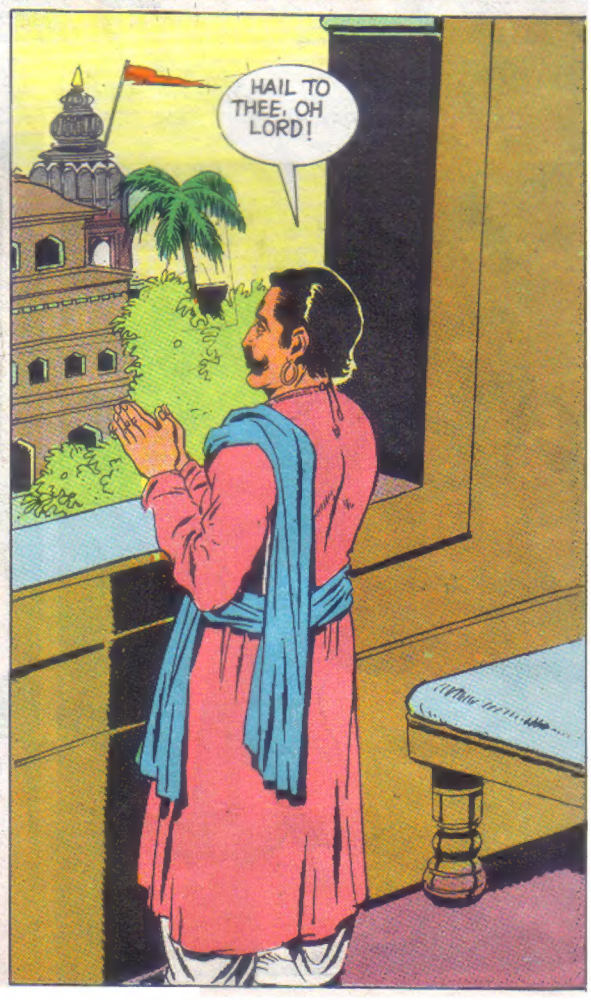

BUT AJMAL HAD GREAT FAITH IN GOD DWARAKA NATH. IN THE MONTH OF SHRAWANA HEAVY RAINS STARTED.
MAINADE, THIS YEAR THE RAINS HAVE BEEN GOOD. FARMER'S FORTUNES WILL BE OPENED UP.
DON'T KNOW, WHEN OURS FORTUNES WILL OPEN UP!
DON T BE SAD, MAINADE JOYS AND SORROWS OF DESTINY SHOW UP AT RIGHT TIME ONLY. ATLEAST ENJOY THE RAINS
THAT NIGHT HE COULDN'T SLEEP PROPERLY AS HE WAS HIMSELF UNHAPPY BECAUSE OF CHILDLESSNESS
WHERE ARE YOU GOING SO EARLY?
JUST TO THE FIELDS.


AJMAL WENT OUT OF THE TOWN. A LARGE GROUP OF FARMERS WAS GOING TO THE FIELDS. AS SOON AS THEY SAW AJMAL THEY TURNED BACK.
OH, FRIENDS! WHY DID YOU TURN AROUND WHEN YOU SAW ME. PLEASE WAIT.
AFTER A LITTLE WHILE ONE OLD FARMER STOPPED. AJMAL WAS SURPRISED
OH, MASTER! TRUTH IS BITTER. YOU WILL BE DISPLEASED TO HEAR US.
I SHALLN'T BE ANGRY. PLEASE SPEAK.
LORD! WE ARE PLOUGHING THE FIELDS FOR THE FIRST TIME. YOU ARE CHILDLESS. YOUR PRESENCE WILL NOT BE AUSPICIOUS.
TRUELY NEVER BEFORE HAS MY CHILDLESS NESS GRIEVED ME SO MUCH!

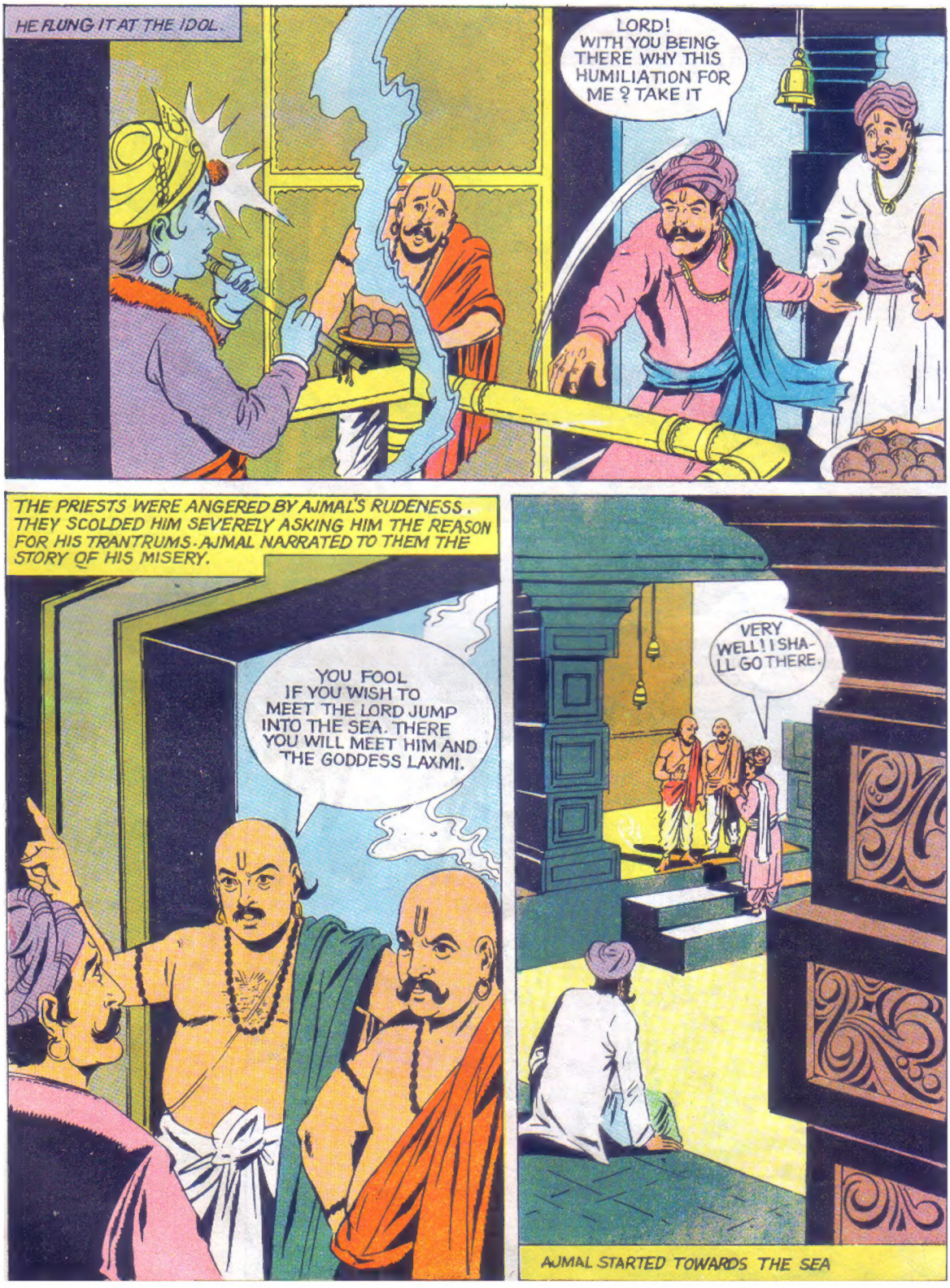
THE FARMER GOT FRIGHTENED AND RAN AWAY. AJMAL STOOD FOR A LONG TIME, DEEP IN THOUGHT. HE THEN RETURNED HOME.
OH, HOW IS IT YOU ARE BACK SO SOON ?
REALLY THAKURANI LIFE IS WORTH-LESS TO A CHILD-LESS PERSON.
AJMAL TOLD HER THE WHOLE STORY. MAINADE ALSO WAS FULL OF SORROW. THEY BOTH DISCUSS-ED THE MATTER AT LENGTH.
I SHALL HAVE TO SEEK A DECI-SION FROM LORD OF DWARAKA.
HOW SO ?
MAINADE WAS FILLED WITH ALL SORTS OF DOUBTS AND FEARS.
I SHALL TELL YOU WHEN I COME BACK.
LISTEN! DON'T DO ANY-THING IN A HURRY !

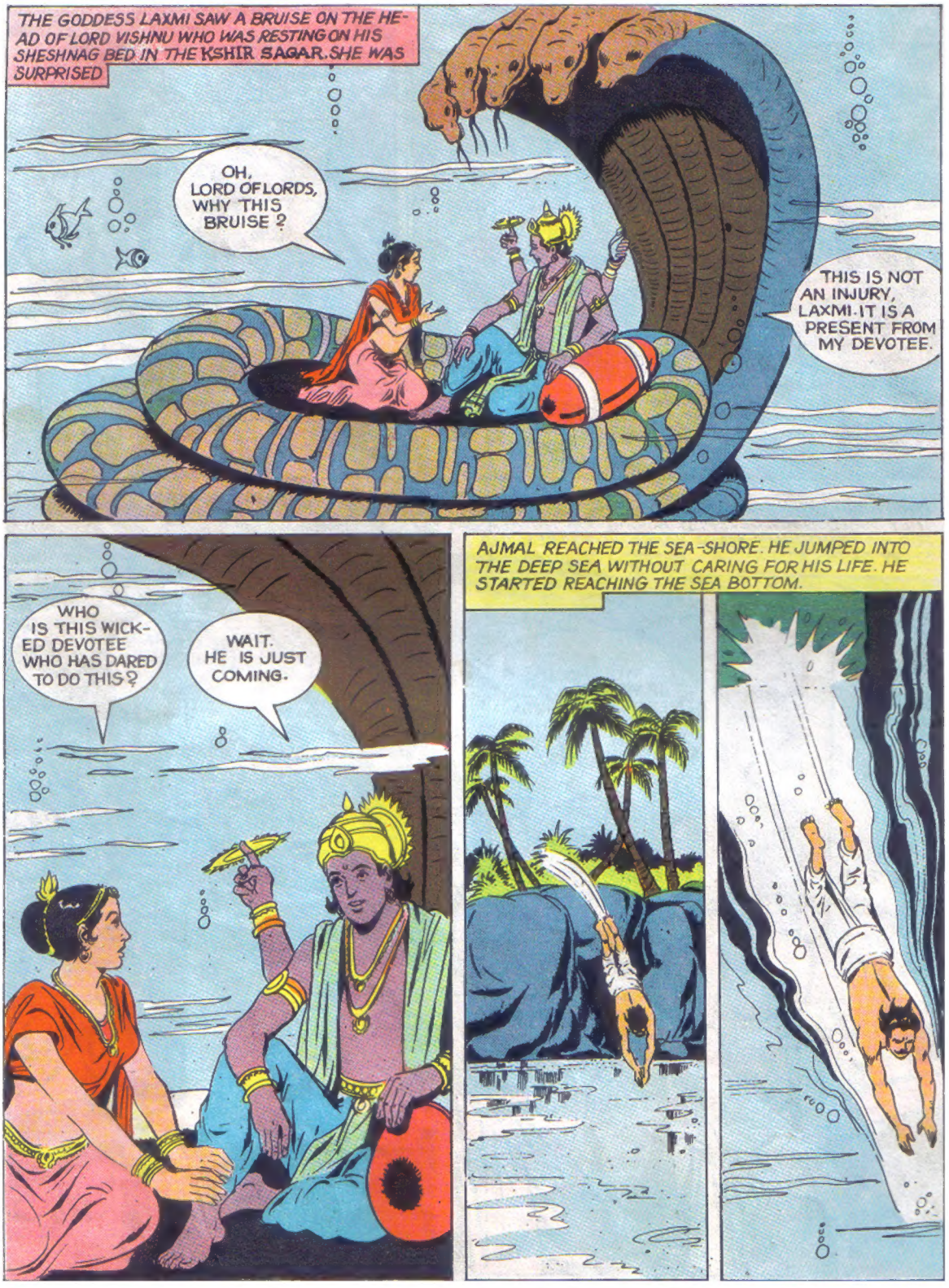

AJMAL MADE NO REPLY. HE STARTED GETTING READY FOR THE PILGRIMAGE OF DWARAKA. THE WHOLE TOWN GATHERED TO GIVE HIM A SEND-OFF. MAINADE ALSO JOINED IN
MAY YOUR PILGRIMAGE BE SUCCESSFUL!

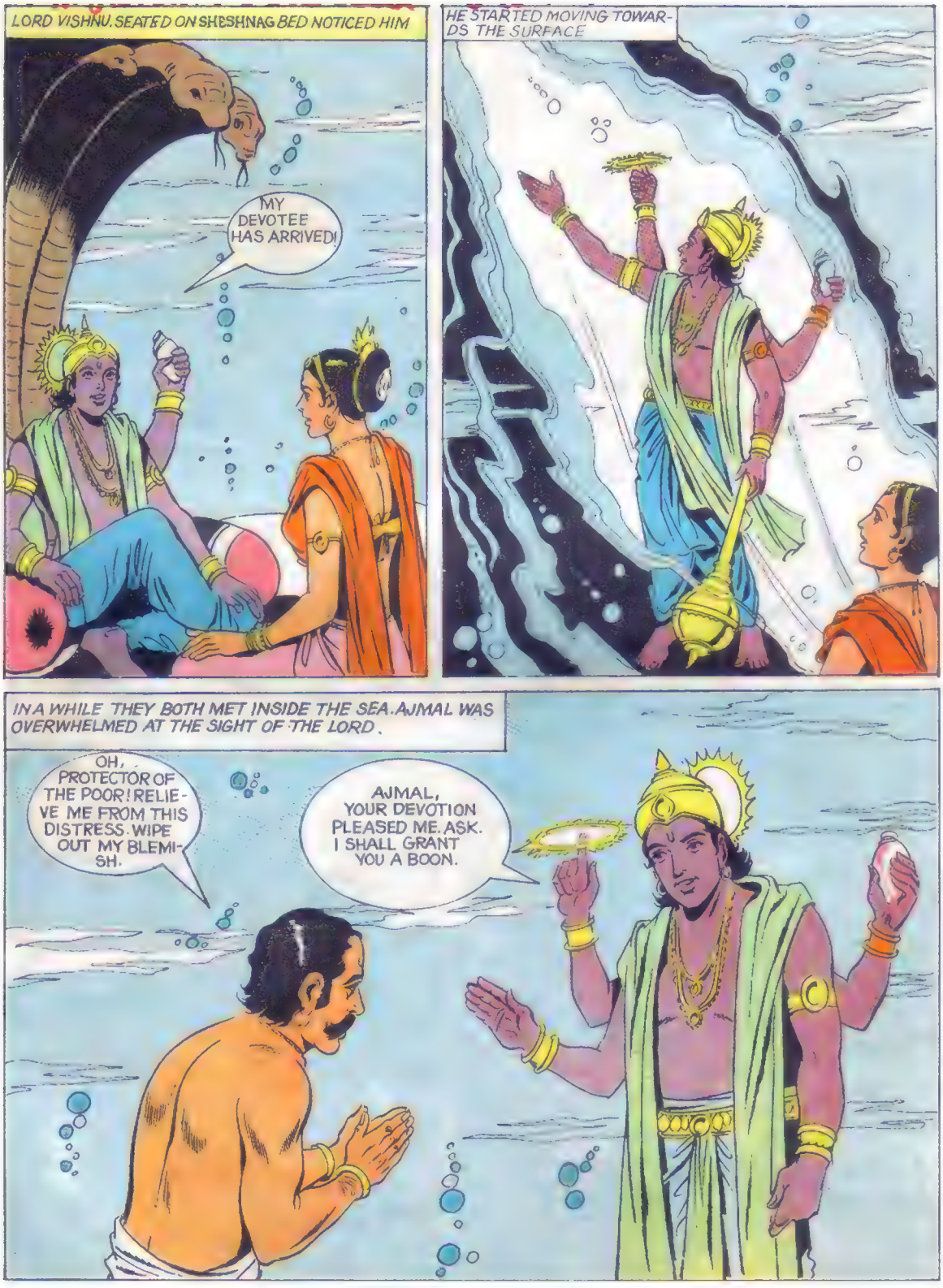

AFTER A LONG TRAVEL BY BULLOCK-CART AND CAMEL HE REACHED DWARAKA AND STAYED AT AN INN.

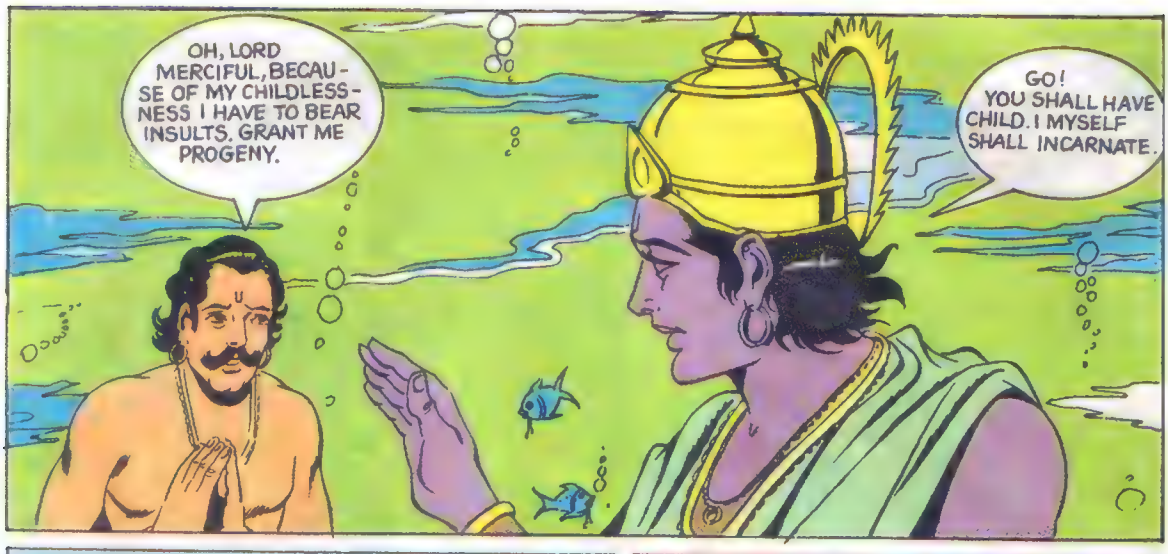

HAIL TO THEE, OH LORD!

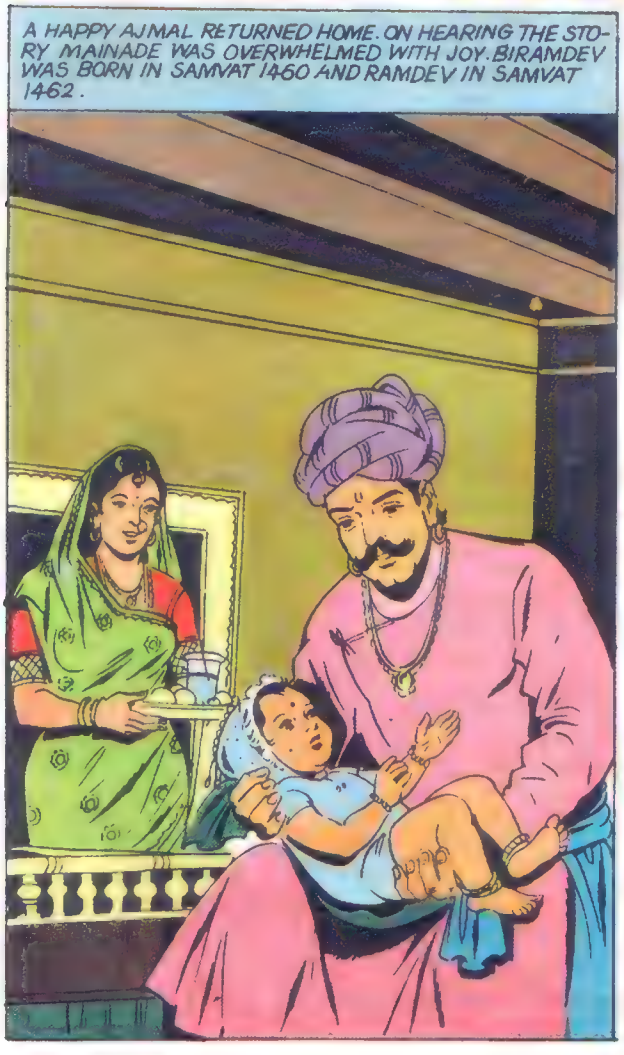
FINISHING THE DAILY ROUTINE HE REACHED THE TEMPLE. TEMPLE WAS THRONGED WITH DEVOTEES. AJMAL THREADING THROUGH THE CROWD REACHED THE BANISTERS OF THE INNER TEMPLE.
OH LORD! ACCEPT MY PRAYER AND WASH AWAY MY BLEMISH.
AJMAL STOOD A LONG TIME BEFORE THE DEITY. LATER HE SAT DOWN IN THE TEMPLE COURT YARD AND CONTINUED TO PRAY. HE DIDN'T FEEL RE-ASSURED.
OH GOD! HEED THE CALL OF THY DEVOTEE. OR ELSE —
AJMAL FELT VERY ANGRY. ANGER REPLACED DEVOTION. HE DASHED TO THE TEMPLE. TAKING A LADDOO FROM A DEVOTEE'S HAND —

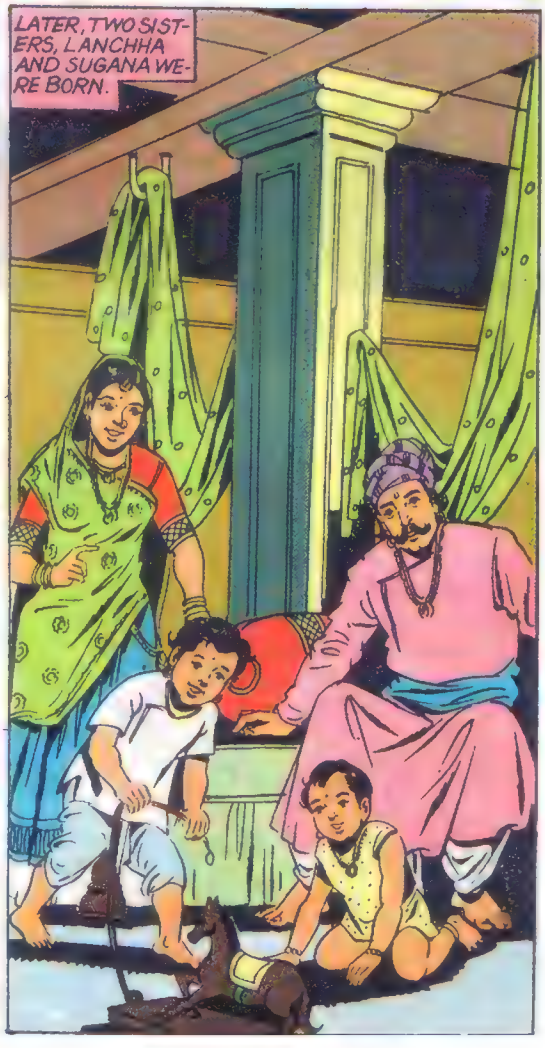

HE FLUNG IT AT THE IDOL.
LORD! WITH YOU BEING THERE WHY THIS HUMILIATION FOR ME ? TAKE IT
THE PRIESTS WERE ANGERED BY AJMAL'S RUDENESS. THEY SCOLDED HIM SEVERELY ASKING HIM THE REASON FOR HIS TRANTRUMS. AJMAL NARRATED TO THEM THE STORY OF HIS MISERY.
YOU FOOL IF YOU WISH TO MEET THE LORD JUMP INTO THE SEA. THERE YOU WILL MEET HIM AND THE GODDESS LAXMI.
VERY WELL! I SHALL GO THERE.
AJMAL STARTED TOWARDS THE SEA


THE GODDESS LAXMI SAW A BRUISE ON THE HEAD OF LORD VISHNU WHO WAS RESTING ON HIS SHESHNAG BED IN THE KSHIR SAGAR. SHE WAS SURPRISED
OH, LORD OF LORDS, WHY THIS BRUISE ?
THIS IS NOT AN INJURY, LAXMI. IT IS A PRESENT FROM MY DEVOTEE.
WHO IS THIS WICKED DEVOTEE WHO HAS DARED TO DO THIS ?
WAIT. HE IS JUST COMING.
AJMAL REACHED THE SEA-SHORE. HE JUMPED INTO THE DEEP SEA WITHOUT CARING FOR HIS LIFE. HE STARTED REACHING THE SEA BOTTOM.


LORD VISHNU, SEATED ON SHESHNAG BED NOTICED HIM
MY DEVOTEE HAS ARRIVED!
HE STARTED MOVING TOWARDS THE SURFACE
IN A WHILE THEY BOTH MET INSIDE THE SEA. AJMAL WAS OVERWHELMED AT THE SIGHT OF THE LORD.
OH, PROTECTOR OF THE POOR! RELIEVE ME FROM THIS DISTRESS. WIPE OUT MY BLEMISH.
AJMAL, YOUR DEVOTION PLEASED ME. ASK. I SHALL GRANT YOU A BOON.


OH, LORD MERCIFUL, BECAUSE OF MY CHILDLESSNESS I HAVE TO BEAR INSULTS. GRANT ME PROGENY.
GO! YOU SHALL HAVE CHILD. I MYSELF SHALL INCARNATE.

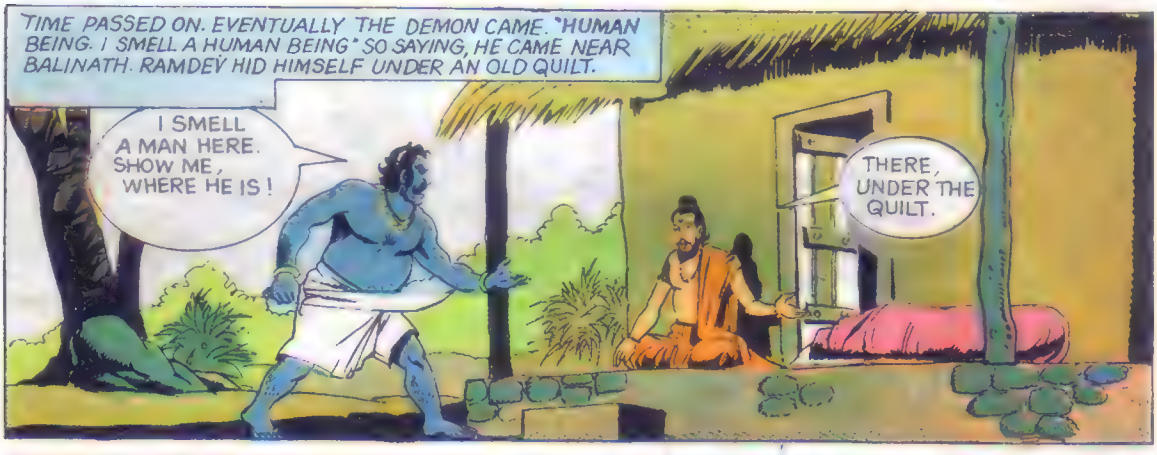

A HAPPY AJMAL RETURNED HOME. ON HEARING THE STORY MAINADE WAS OVERWHELMED WITH JOY. BIRAMDEV WAS BORN IN SAMVAT 1460 AND RAMDEV IN SAMVAT 1462.


LATER, TWO SISTERS, LANCHHA AND SUGANA WERE BORN.

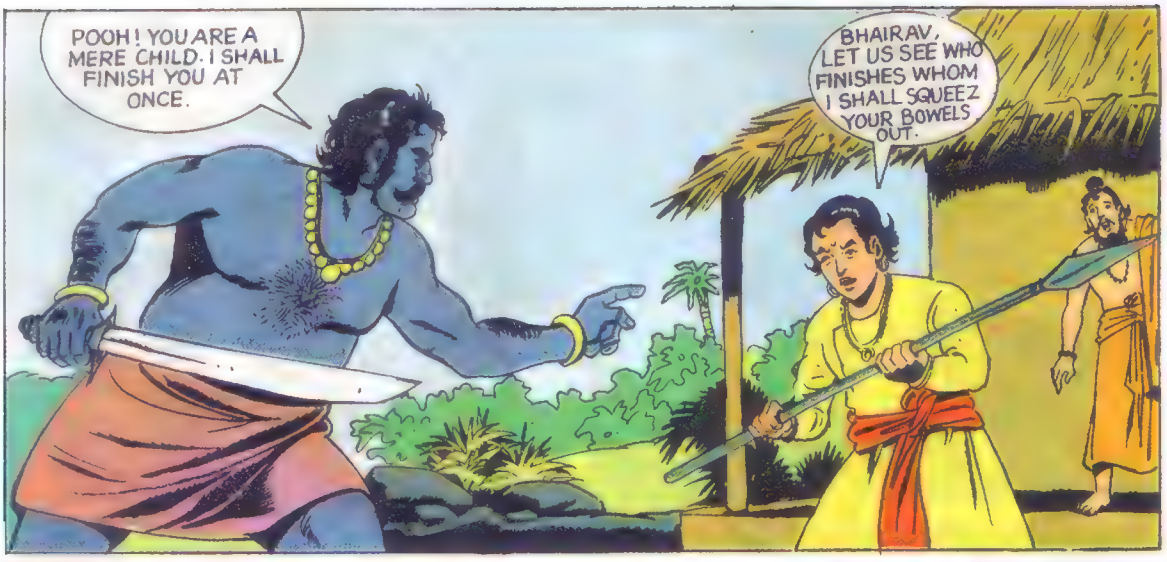
A CHILD-HOOD OF RAMDEV WAS A HAPPY ONE. FIFTEEN YEARS PASSED. ONE DAY, RAMDEV SAW A GROUP OF MEN, COMPLAINING TO AJMAL.
HAIL TO THE THAKUR-SAHIB! THE DEMON BHAIRAV IS HARA-SING US BADLY.
WHO CAN FIGHT THAT DE-MON? PRAY TO GOD THAT HE MAY DESTROY HIM.
THE EVIL DEEDS OF BHAIRAV DISTRESSED RAMDEV. HE WAS WELL-TRAINED IN SPEAR WARFARE. SPEAR IN HAND HE SET FORTH TO KILL DEMON BHAIRAV.
YOUR TIME IS NOW UP, BHAIRAV

NORTH OF POKHARAN THERE WAS A MOUNTAIN. DEMON BHAIRAV LIVED THERE. HE WAS A KILLER. HE HAD TERRORISED THAT COUNTRY SIDE. HE COMMITTED DECOITIES, LIFTED CATTLE AND KILLED MEN
RAMDEV REACHED THAT MOUNTAIN–THERE WAS MAHATMA BALINATH'S ASHRAM. BALINATH ALSO WAS DISTRESSED BECAUSE OF THE DEMON.
SON, WHY HAVE YOU COME HERE ? THE DEMON WILL DEVOUR YOU !
I AM A KSHATRIYA .IT'S MY DUTY TO PROTECT COWS, BRAHMINS AND WOMEN.

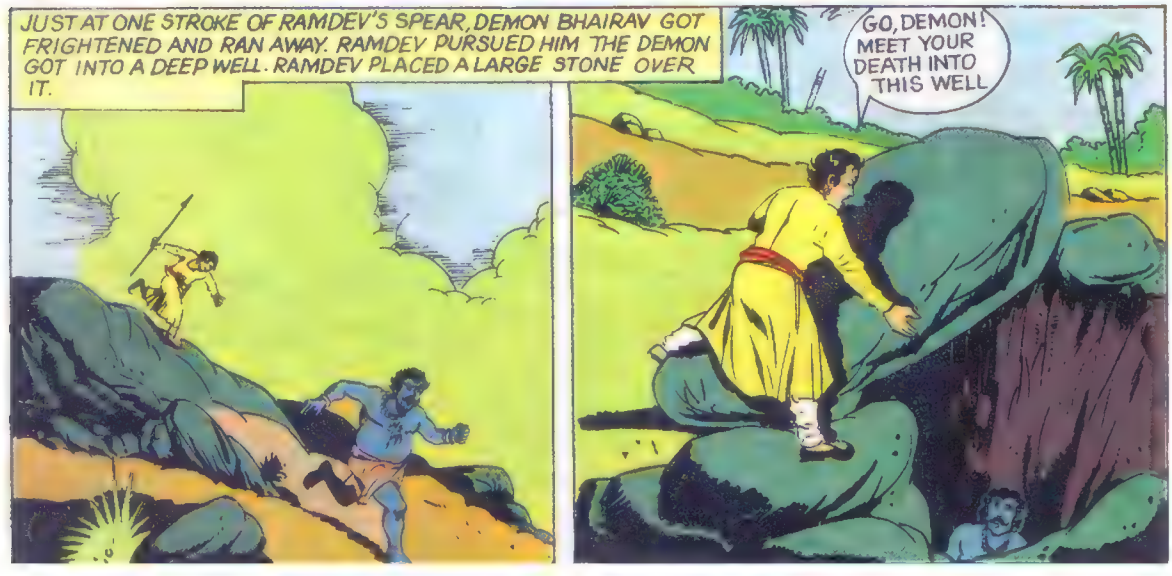
SON, THAT DEMON HAS SLICED MANY HEROIC MEN LIKE CUCUMBER. YOU ARE LIKE A DELICATE FLOWER. GO! RUN AWAY.
I MAY BE SMALL BUT I AM TOUGH. EITHER I KILL THE DEMON OR BE KILLED.

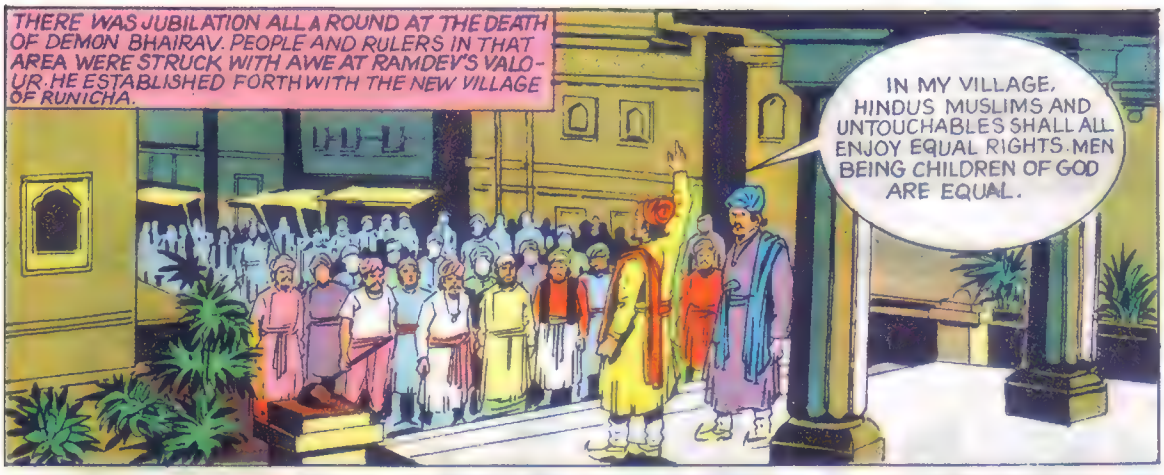

TIME PASSED ON. EVENTUALLY THE DEMON CAME. "HUMAN BEING. I SMELL A HUMAN BEING" SO SAYING, HE CAME NEAR BALINATH. RAMDEV HID HIMSELF UNDER AN OLD QUILT.
I SMELL A MAN HERE. SHOW ME, WHERE HE IS!
THERE, UNDER THE QUILT.

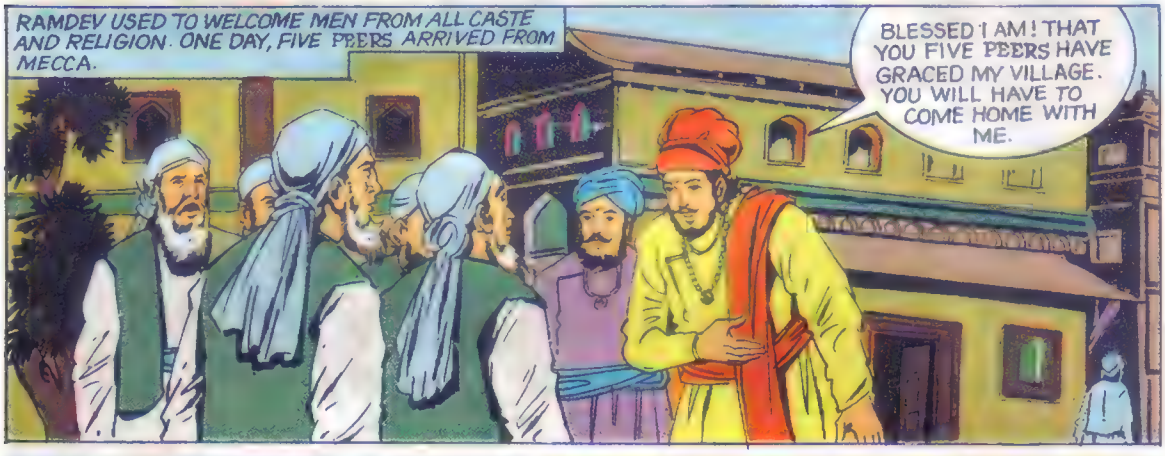
THE DEMON POUNCED ON THE QUILT. HE STARTED PULLING THE QUILT BUT IT WENT ON LENGHENING ITSELF LIKE DRAUPADI'S CHIR.
GOODNESS GRACIOUS! THIS LOOKS LIKE A SATAN'S. INTESTINE
I AM THAT SATAN'S INTESTINES, BHAIRAV. YOUR END IS IN MY HAND


POOH! YOU ARE A MERE CHILD. I SHALL FINISH YOU AT ONCE.
BHAIRAV, LET US SEE WHO FINISHES WHOM I SHALL SQUEEZ YOUR BOWELS OUT.

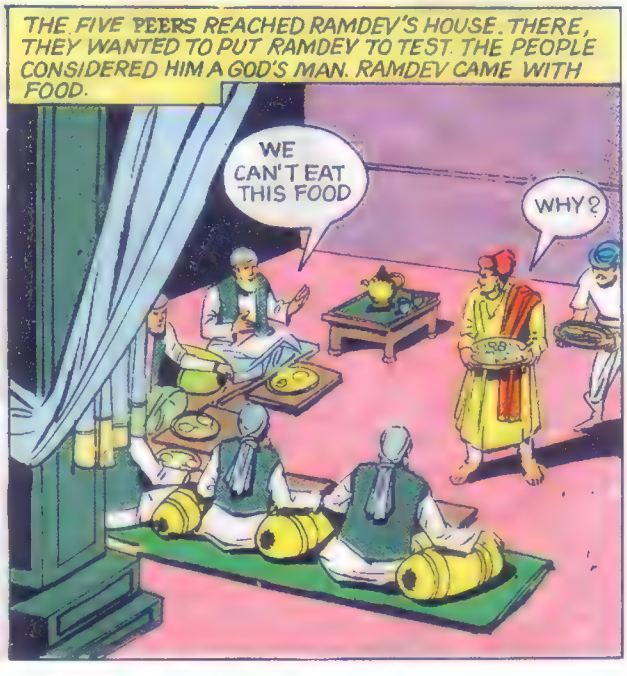
THERE WAS A PROLONGED FIGHT BETWEEN THE TWO. DEMON BHAIRAO USED ALL THE TACTICS; BUT RAMDEV FOILED THEM ALL
YOU HAVE SHOWN YOUR TACTICS. NOW BEWARE OF MY STROKE, YOU CRUEL ONE!
OH, I AM DEAD!


JUST AT ONE STROKE OF RAMDEV'S SPEAR, DEMON BHAIRAV GOT FRIGHTENED AND RAN AWAY. RAMDEV PURSUED HIM THE DEMON GOT INTO A DEEP WELL. RAMDEV PLACED A LARGE STONE OVER IT.
GO, DEMON! MEET YOUR DEATH INTO THIS WELL


THERE WAS JUBILATION ALL A ROUND AT THE DEATH OF DEMON BHAIRAV. PEOPLE AND RULERS IN THAT AREA WERE STRUCK WITH AWE AT RAMDEV'S VALOUR. HE ESTABLISHED FORTHWITH THE NEW VILLAGE OF RUNICHA.
IN MY VILLAGE, HINDUS MUSLIMS AND UNTOUCHABLES SHALL ALL ENJOY EQUAL RIGHTS. MEN BEING CHILDREN OF GOD ARE EQUAL.


RAMDEV USED TO WELCOME MEN FROM ALL CASTE AND RELIGION. ONE DAY, FIVE PEERS ARRIVED FROM MECCA.
BLESSED I AM! THAT YOU FIVE PEERS HAVE GRACED MY VILLAGE. YOU WILL HAVE TO COME HOME WITH ME.

YOU ARE HINDU AND WE ARE MUSLIMS.
ABOVE ALL, WE ARE ALL HUMANS. ALL CREATURES ARE GOD'S CHILDREN.


THE FIVE PEERS REACHED RAMDEV'S HOUSE. THERE, THEY WANTED TO PUT RAMDEV TO TEST. THE PEOPLE CONSIDERED HIM A GOD'S MAN. RAMDEV CAME WITH FOOD.
WE CAN'T EAT THIS FOOD
WHY?

BECAUSE WE HAVE LEFT BEHIND OUR BOWLS IN MECCA.
WE CAN'T EAT WITHOUT THOSE BOWLS
RAMDEV TRIED TO PERSUADE THEM FOR A LONG TIME. BUT THE PEERS STRUCK TO THEIR WORDS.
SO THEN, YOU WILL EAT ONLY IN YOUR OWN BOWLS.
YES, INDEED!
RAMDEV SAT IN MEDITATION. FOR A LONG TIME HE PRAYED TO HIS REVERED DEITY. HE THEN SPREAD A SHEAT ON THE GROUND AND LIFTED IT.
WELL, THESE ARE YOUR BOWLS SIR!
YES, INDEED THEY ARE! YOU HAVE WORKED A WONDER.
THERE UPON THE PEERS DINED IN RAMDEV'S HOUSE. THEY ACKNOWLEDGED RAMDEV'S PROWESS ALSO.
I HOPE, YOU ARE SATISFIED WITH MY HOSPITALITY.
NOT ONLY SATISFIED. WE BOW BEFORE YOUR PROWESS. PEOPLE WILL REGARD YOU LIKE PEER AND CALL YOU PEER OF PEERS.

THE WORD OF RAMDEV'S MIRACLES SPREAD FAR AND WIDE HE LOVED HINDUS, MUSLIMS AND UNTOUCHABLES ALIKE · HE GREATLY HATED FALSEHOOD. ONCE, NOMAD WITH SUGAR CANDY LOADED ON HIS OXEN ARRIVED.
BROTHER! WHAT HAVE YOU LOADED ON THE OXEN?
RAMDEVJI! COMMON SALT ONLY.
IS IT INDEED COMMON SALT? LOOK BROTHER! DON'T TELL A LIE.
NO SIR, WHO CAN TELL A LIE IN THE PRESENCE OF A GREAT MAN LIKE YOU!
THEREUPON, THE NOMAD WENT TO THE BUND OF THE TANK, COOKED HIS FOOD AND ATE IT. WHEN HE LOOKED AT HIS SUGAR CANDY IT HAD TURNED INTO COMMON SALT. HE RAN BACK –
RAMDEVJI! OH, STAR OF AJMAL'S HOUSE! I AM UNDONE! I TOLD YOU A LIE DUE TO WHICH MY SUGAR CANDY TURNED INTO COMMON SALT.
IT'S NO GOOD TO TELL LIES, BROTHER · GO, I HAVE PARDONED YOU.

RETURNING THE NOMAD LOOKED AT HIS OXEN. THE COMMON SALT HAD TURNED BACK INTO SUGAR CANDY.
OH, LORD RAMDEV! NOT ONLY I, SHALL NOT TELL LIE BUT TELL THE WORLD THAT NO ONE SHOULD TELL LIES. THERE IS NO GREATER SIN THAN THAT.
NOW, RAMDEV'S POWER AND DEVOTION WENT ON GROWING. HE GOT OFFERS OF MARRIAGE FROM FAR AND WIDE. EVENTUALLY RAMDEV'S MARRIAGE WAS FIXED WITH NAITALDE THE DAUGHTER OF SODHA RAJPUT, DALA-JI. ALL FAMILY MEMBERS GATHERED BUT RAMDEV WASN'T THERE.
BIRAMDEV, HAVE THE MARRIAGE INVITATIONS BEEN SENT TO ALL ?
HAS SOME ONE GONE TO FETCH MY DAUGHTERS ? POOGALGARH IS FAR AWAY.
BIRAMDEV TOLD THEM THAT THESE DAYS, BIG LORDS AND KNIGHTS ARE OPPOSING RAMDEV BECAUSE OF HIS ASSOCIATION WITH UNTOUCHABLES AND LESSER CASTES. HE SINGS KIRTANS ON TAMBURA. AJMAL EXPLAINED TO HIM THAT RAMDEV WAS A GOD'S MAN.
BUT, MOTHER! WHAT IF THE BROTHER-IN-LAW AT POOGALGARH DOESN'T SEND OUR SISTERS FOR THUS REASON.
THEY SURELY WILL. SEND 'RATNA RAIKA'.

RAMDEV'S MASSENGER 'RATNA RAIKA' STARTED FOR POOGALGARH ON CAMEL BACK. THAKUR VIJAYSHING OF POOGALGARH WAS RAMDEV'S BROTHER-IN-LAW. RAMDEV'S POPULARITY PEEVED HIM.
SIR! I HAVE COME TO FETCH SUGNABAI. KUNWAR RAMDEV IS GETTING MARRIED.
OH, THAT RAMDEV IS GETTING MARRIED, WHO MOVES WITH UNTOUCHABLES AND SINGS KIRTAN ON TAMBURA! I CAN'T JOIN IN HIS WEDDING.
MASTER, PLEASE, AT LEAST SEND SUGNABAI.
I SHALL SEND NO ONE. IF YOU GO ON CHATTERING I SHALL LOCK YOU UP IN A JAIL.
RATNA RAIKA GOT ANGRY AND BEHAVED STIFF WITH THE THAKUR. ON THIS THE THAKUR ALSO BECAME ANGRY AND LOCKED UP RATNA RAIKA.
GO, YOU, MASSENGER OF THE TAMBURA SINGER. ROT THERE IN THE JAIL.

WHEN RATNA RAIKA DIDN'T RETURN KUNWAR RAMDEV BECAME SUSPICIOUS. HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE PROUDY THAKUR MUST HAVE DONE SOMETHING HE GOT TOGETHER HIS ARMY IT WAS HEADED THE WARRIORS HADBOOJI SANKHALA AND PABOOJI.
RAMDEV'S ARMY CAMPED IN A FIELD OUTSIDE THE POOGALGARH. A GARDENER, LIVING IN THE FIELD, RECOGNISED RAMDEV AND WENT TO THE THAKUR
THAKUR SAHIB! RAMDEV HAS REACHED HERE WITH HIS ARMY.
I AM ALSO PREPARED TO FIGHT THAT KIRTAN SINGER.
BOTH THE ARMIES GOT READY FOR A FIGHT. THAKUR VIJAYSINGH, FOUGHT FOR A WHILE BUT IN THE END ACCEPTED DEFEAT.
YOU ARE MY BROTHER-IN-LAW I THEREFORE FORGIVE YOU.
I MISUNDERSTOOD A GREAT MAN LIKE YOU. I SHALL JOIN IN YOUR WEDDING.

RAMDEV'S MARRIAGE PROCESSION LEFT FOR AMARKOTE WHICH IS IN PAKISTAN NOW. PEOPLE FROM ALL CASTE AND CREED JOINED IN, THE MARRIAGE TOOK PLACE IN DUE TIME.
AFTER THE WEDDING, AGAIN HE GAVE A CALL FOR HINDU-MUSLIM UNITY AND STARTED A MOVEMENT AGAINST UNTOUCHABILITY. DALIBAI WAS ONE OF HIS DEVOTEES.
YOU ARE TRUELY MY GOD, YOU HAVE SHOWN ME A WAY TO SALVATION.
DALIBAI, HUMANISM IS THE GREATEST AMONG RELIGIONS. YOU TOO TAKE TO SERVICE. THERE IN LIES YOUR GOOD.
DALIBAI ACCEPTED HIS ADVICE AND STARTED SERVING HUMANITY. SHE GRAZED ANIMALS IN THE JUNGLE. TIME PASSED ON. A DAY IN THE MONTH OF BHADON OF S.AMVAT 1515.
I THINK MY MISSION IS NOW DONE. MY CLARION-CALL FOR UNITY HAS REVERBERATED ALL OVER. I SHOULD TAKE TO SAMADHI.

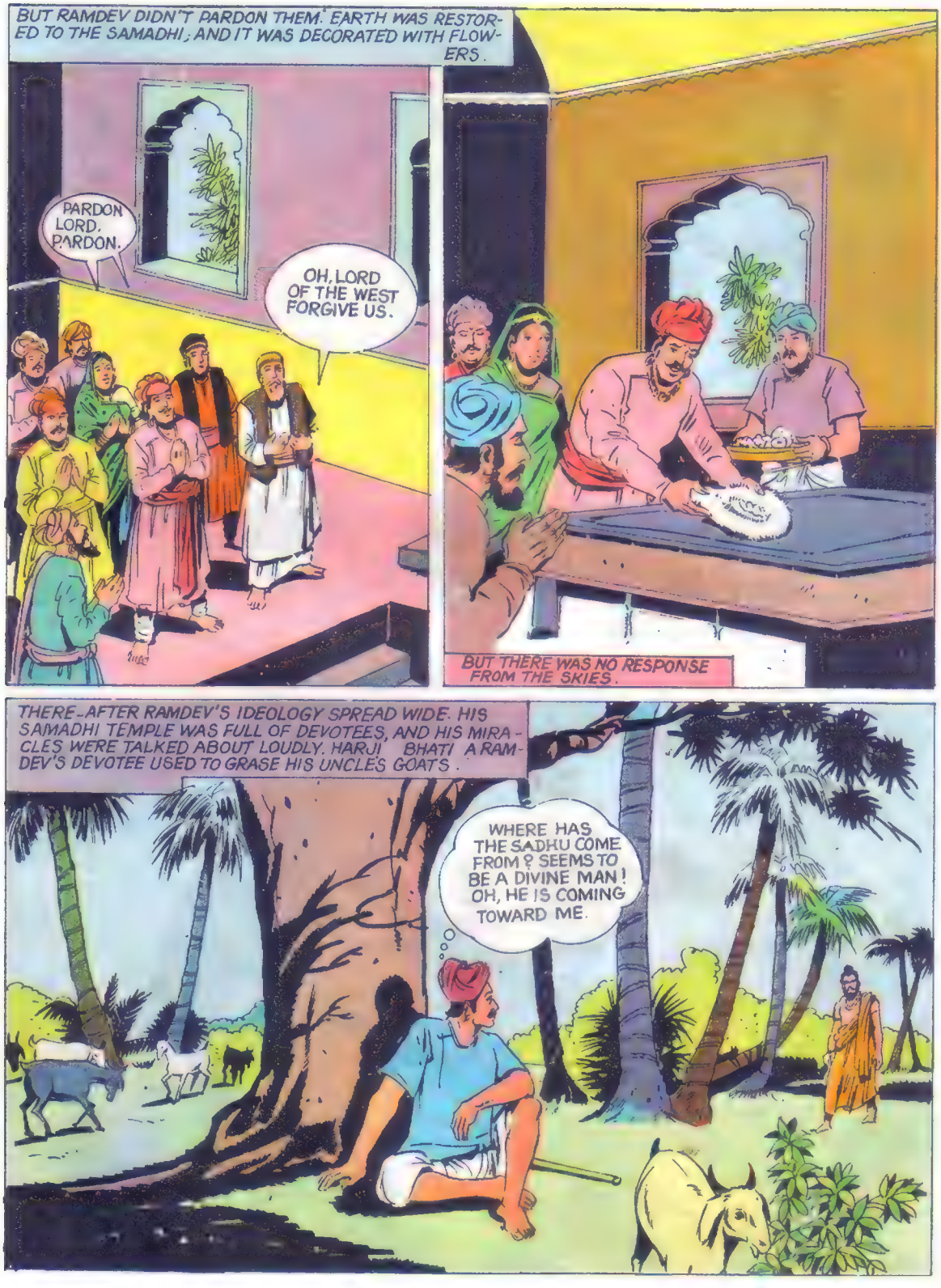
RAMDEV, CALLING ALL KITH AND KIN AND OTHERS, DECLARED THAT HE WILL GET INTO HIS GRAVE ALIVE. THE NEWS CAUSED AGITATION ALL AROUND. EVERY ONE OPPOSED THE IDEA.
NO. RAMDEVBABA CAN'T DO THIS.
WE IMPLORE OUR PEER NOT TO DO THIS.
RAMDEV ARGUED WITH THEM AND PACIFIED THEM
THE HUMAN BODY IS ONLY DUST; WITH THE CALL OF THE TIME IT SHOULD RETURN TO DUST. I SHALL ENTER MY SAMADHI ON THE 8TH BRIGHT DAY IN BHADON. MY RESOLVE IS IRREVOCABLE.
NO! NO!
PEOPLE CAME AROUND BABA TO DISSUADE HIM.
RAMDEV, A DIVINE PERSON, REALISED THAT HUMAN BODY WAS DESTRUCTIBLE. HIS DESICION WAS FIRM. THE 8TH DAY CAME AND THE PLACE FOR SAMADHI WAS DUG.
BABA! YOU ARE HINDU. HOW CAN YOU BURY YOURSELF.
I AM ABOVE CASTE, RELIGION AND SECT. I AM ONLY A HUMAN BEING. THIS IS MY DESTINY.

THE DRUMS STARTED BEATING. MEN AND WOMEN OF RUNICHA CRIED, MAD WITH GRIEF-ESPECIALLY UNTOUCHABLE.
OUR PROTECTOR IS DEPARTING.
YOU PEOPLE SHOULD LIVE AMIDST BROTHERELY LOVE.
SUDDENLY, IN THE JUNGLE DALIBAI HEARD THE DRUM BEAT AND BECAME THOUGHTFUL. JUST THEN, SHE SAW A PASSER-BY.
LISTEN, O MUSLIM BROTHER, WHY THIS LOUD DRUM-BEATING!
OUR PEER, RAMDEV IS ENTERING SAMADHI.
TO DALIBAI THIS WAS A BOLT FROM THE BLUE. HOW COULD RAMDEV TAKE SAMADHI WITHOUT HER WHO WAS HIS SHADOW. SHE DASHED TOWARDS THE SCENE.
WOULD YOU TAKE SAMADHI WITHOUT ME?
YES I AM. I WARN YOU ALL NOT TO DIG UP MY SAMADHI.

WITH GOD'S NAME ON HIS LIPS, RAMDEV ENTERED THE SAMADHI. PEOPLE WERE MAD WITH GRIEF. THEY WEPT AT THE GRAVE THREE DAYS AND NIGHTS
PRESENTLY, HADBOOJI SANKHALA, WELLKNOWN WARRIOR AND RAMDEV'S RELATIVE ARRIVED AT THE SPOT AND WAS TAKEN ABACK SEEING THE GRIEF STRICKEN PEOPLE
WHY ARE YOU ALL WEEPING ?
OUR LORD RAMDEV HAS ENTERED SAMADHI
THAT'S WRONG. I SAW RAMDEV GRAZING HIS HORSE IN THE JUNGLE.
THE PEOPLE DID NOT BELIEVE HADBOOJI.

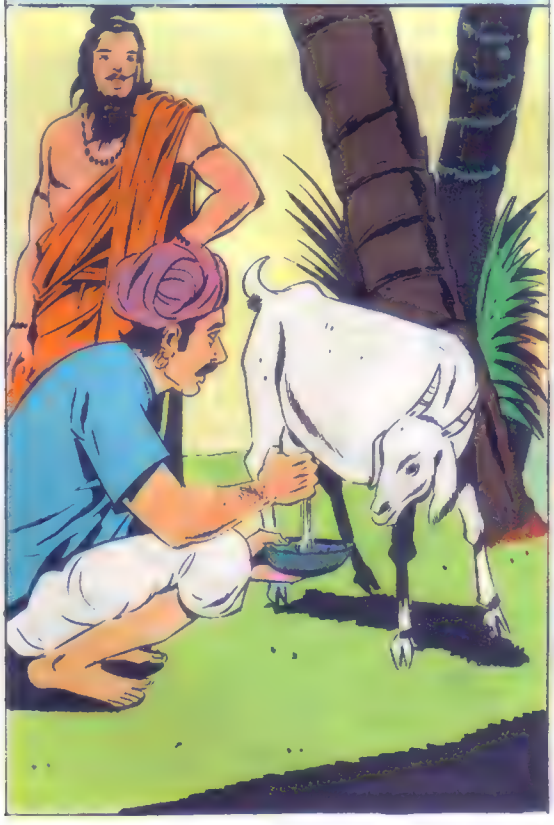
THE NEXT MOMENT PEOPLE WERE SURPRISED WHEN HADBOOJI SWORE TO GOD.
IF HADBOO-JI IS RIGHT WHO THEN TOOK THE SAMADHI.
WE MUST SORT OUT THIS MYSTE-RY.
BUT RAMDEV HAD CLEARLY WARN-ED THAT HIS SAMADHI MUSTN'T BE DUG UP AT ANY COST.
WE SHALL DIG AND GET AT THE TRUTH.
DESPITE MAINADE'S OBSTRUCTIONS, THE PEOPLE STARTED DIGGING UP THE SAMADHI WITH SPADES AND PICKAXES.

THEY WERE STARTLED TO SEE FLOWERS IN THE SAMADHI.
SUDDENLY THERE WAS A SHARP AKASHWANI (A VOICE FROM THE SKIES)
YOU ARE ALL UNGRATEFUL. YOU DIS-REGARDED MY COMMAND AND ADVICE, TRYING TO UNCOVER MY MYSTERY. GIVE YOU A CURSE, YOU WILL ALL BE BEGGERS.
THE PEOPLE COMING TO THEIR SENSES REALISED THEIR MISTAKE.
WHAT WILL HAPPEN NOW! THIS IS A SEVERE CURSE.
OH PEER OF PEERS! PARDON US.


BUT RAMDEV DIDN'T PARDON THEM. EARTH WAS RESTORED TO THE SAMADHI; AND IT WAS DECORATED WITH FLOWERS.
PARDON LORD, PARDON.
OH, LORD OF THE WEST FORGIVE US.
BUT THERE WAS NO RESPONSE FROM THE SKIES.
THERE-AFTER RAMDEV'S IDEOLOGY SPREAD WIDE. HIS SAMADHI TEMPLE WAS FULL OF DEVOTEES, AND HIS MIRACLES WERE TALKED ABOUT LOUDLY. HARJI BHATI A RAMDEV'S DEVOTEE USED TO GRASE HIS UNCLE'S GOATS.
WHERE HAS THE SADHU COME FROM? SEEMS TO BE A DIVINE MAN! OH, HE IS COMING TOWARD ME.

AFTER A WHILE...
MY SALUTATIO-N SIR!
LONG LIVE BROTHER! I AM VERY HUNGRY. GIVE ME A DRINK OF YOUR GOAT'S MILK.
THE GOAT HASN'T KID YET SIR! HOW THEN CAN I GIVE YOU MILK?

HARJI WENT TO THE GOATS WITH A BOWL AND STARTED MILKING. MILK CAME IN.

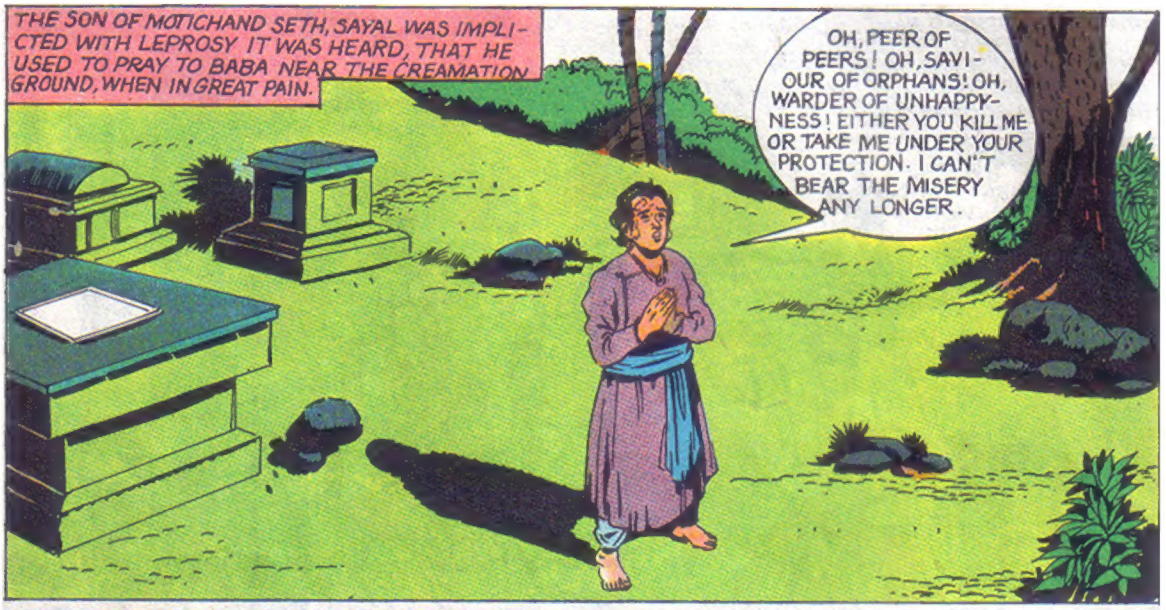


THE STRANGE SADHU GULPED THE MILK. HE THEN ASKED FOR WATER IN THAT DESERT. HARJI WAS IN A DILEMMA

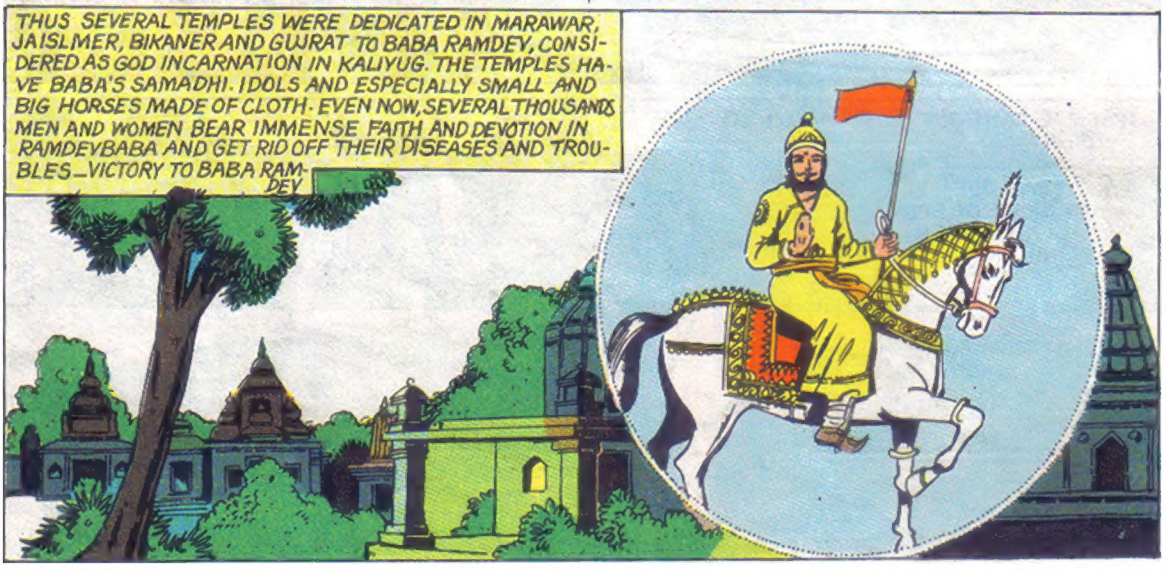
WOULD YOU DRINK WATER AFTER MILK! WHERE CAN I GET WATER IN THIS DESERT? ALL PONDS AND LAKES ARE DRY.
YOU ARE TELLING A LIE, THERE IS WATER IN THAT LITTLE POND. GO, AND SEE.

HARJI FAUTTERINGLY WENT TO THE LITTLE POND NEAR A TREE. IT WAS FULL OF WATER. HARJI GOT BEWILDERED.
RETURNING HE FELL AT THE FEET OF THE SADHU.
WHO ARE YOU! ON MY OATH TELL THE TRUTH.
WHO IS IN EVERY BIT OF YOUR BODY?
HARJI LOOKED CAREFULLY AT THE DIVINE SADHU AND LOOKED INWARDS. HIS EYES WERE FULL OF TEARS.
BABA RAMDEV! MY GOD OF GODS! AND PEER OF PEERS IS ENER WITHIN ME. HE IS THE GOD OF US POOR ORPHANS. ARE YOU...?
YES, HARJI I AM PLEASED WITH YOUR DEVOTION AND FAITH.

HARJI BHATI SPREAD RAMDEV'S GOSPEL IN ALL MARWAR, JAISALMER, BIKANER AND OTHER TOWNS. PEOPLE WERE FILLED A NEW SENSE OF FAITH AND DEVOTION. THERE WAS A BLIND MAN CALLED MORIYA - A GREAT DEVOTEE OF BABA ONE DAY NEAR THE SAMADHI TEMPLE IN RUNICHA.
THE BABA IS CALLING ME. VICTORY TO THE LORD OF THE WEST.
BE THE PEER OF THE PEERS VICTORIUS. BE THE INCARNATION IN AJMAL'S HOUSE VICTORIUS.
MORIYA JUMPED INTO BABA'S WELL.
WHEN HE CAME OUT, HE REGAINED HIS EYESIGHT.
I CAN SEE! BY GRACE OF BABA, I AM NO LONGER BLIND. VICTORY TO BABA.


THE SON OF MOTICHAND SETH, SAYAL WAS IMPLICTED WITH LEPROSY IT WAS HEARD, THAT HE USED TO PRAY TO BABA NEAR THE CREAMATION GROUND, WHEN IN GREAT PAIN.
OH, PEER OF PEERS! OH, SAVIOUR OF ORPHANS! OH, WARDER OF UNHAPPYNESS! EITHER YOU KILL ME OR TAKE ME UNDER YOUR PROTECTION. I CAN'T BEAR THE MISERY ANY LONGER.

RAMDEV BABA REVEALED HIMSELF TO HIM. HE WAS CURED OF LEPROSY.
I AM ALL RIGHT NOW! I AM CURED BY BABA'S GRACE. I SHALL BUILD A TEMPLE IN YOUR HONOUR IN MY VILLAGE BARANDHIA.


THUS SEVERAL TEMPLES WERE DEDICATED IN MARAWAR, JAISLMER, BIKANER AND GUJRAT TO BABA RAMDEV, CONSIDERED AS GOD INCARNATION IN KALIYUG. THE TEMPLES HAVE BABA'S SAMADHI. IDOLS AND ESPECIALLY SMALL AND BIG HORSES MADE OF CLOTH. EVEN NOW, SEVERAL THOUSANDS MEN AND WOMEN BEAR IMMENSE FAITH AND DEVOTION IN RAMDEVBABA AND GET RID OFF THEIR DISEASES AND TROUBLES—VICTORY TO BABA RAMDEV

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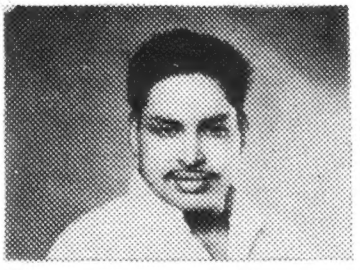

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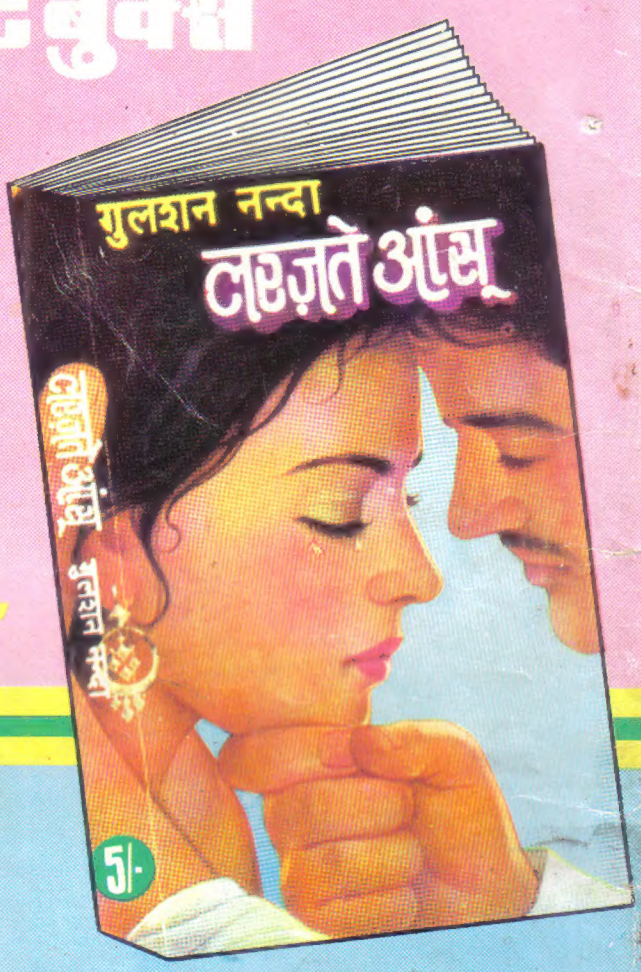

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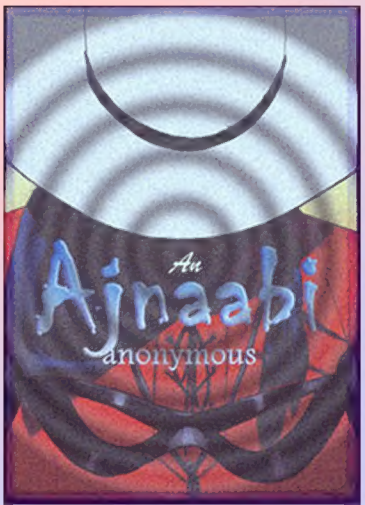

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